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TO : MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

DATE: 19 December 1951

FROM : General Counsel

SUBJECT: Items for the Daily Log - 19 December 1951 (Wednesday)

1. In October, the Comptroller General rendered an opinion approving retention by [ ] of his retired pay on days for which he was paid a fee as an intermittent consultant. Based on this opinion, we approved with State's concurrence, a similar contract for [ ]

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\* [ ] a retired Foreign Service Officer. We have since learned informally that the Comptroller General's office is not too happy about this situation inasmuch as this loophole in the dual compensation prohibitions might be used as a subterfuge to avoid such restrictions. I have informed Mr. Bundy of ONE of this situation and asked him to submit a statement of the number of intermittent consultants used regularly by ONE to indicate that retired officers are not the only ones so utilized. It is hoped this will be useful in allaying any claim that we are employing a subterfuge.

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\* Items to be included in the weekly report to the DD/A

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